



AMENDMENTS

In the claims, please amend Claims 15, 16, 29 and 34 as follows:

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15. (amended) A medical diagnostic ultrasound catheter for imaging from within a body, the catheter comprising:

- a shaft;
- an ultrasound transducer connected with the shaft;
- a lens or window adjacent the ultrasound transducer; and
- a dielectric film adjacent the ultrasound transducer.

16. (amended) The catheter of Claim 15 wherein the dielectric film is positioned between the lens or window and the ultrasound transducer.

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29. (amended) A medical catheter for insertion into a body, the catheter comprising:

- a shaft; [and]
- an electrical conductor within the shaft; and
- a non-conductive braid connected with the shaft to transmit torque to the shaft.

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34. (amended) The catheter of Claim 29 further comprising:
[a conductor surrounded by at least a portion of the shaft; and]
an ultrasound transducer electrically connected to the conductor.

Please add claims 38-47 as follows:

--38. A medical diagnostic ultrasound catheter for imaging from within a body, the catheter comprising:

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- a shaft;
 - an ultrasound transducer connected with the shaft; and
 - a dielectric film around at least a portion of a circumference and one end of the ultrasound transducer.

39. The catheter of Claim 38 wherein the dielectric film comprises a tape material.